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National News - Significant Events

Texas Officer Who Killed Unarmed Man Made Mistakes, Police Experts Say

(NY Times) When Officer Brad Miller, a trainee in the Arlington Police Department, walked through the shattered glass in an automobile showroom here in pursuit of a suspected burglar, he had already violated several basic principles of modern-day policing, according to law enforcement veterans: Wait for backup, establish a perimeter, have a plan. Minutes after he was inside the showroom, Officer Miller fired four shots that killed Christian Taylor, an unarmed African-American college student, who Officer Miller said was advancing toward him menacingly. Police Chief Will Johnson said at a news conference Tuesday that a court would have to determine whether the shooting was justified, but that his decision to fire Officer Miller had been based on the officer's conduct before the shooting. "Officer Miller reported that he was in fear and that he believed he was alone inside the building and that he would be overpowered by Mr. Taylor," Mr. Johnson said. "Officer Miller believed that he was alone. This fear and feeling of isolation was the result of his poor decision to enter the building without assistance and without an arrest plan." Officer Miller's lawyer, John Snider, on Wednesday called the firing "an insult to the rank-and-file officers who put their lives on the line every day," and said that the chief had failed his officers. "While Chief Johnson sits behind his desk and Monday morning quarterbacks an officer's actions when coming face to face with a violent felon, his biggest fears are getting a paper cut or losing his six-figure salary," Mr. Snider said. "Chief Johnson used 20/20 hindsight to protect his job and appease anti-police activists. Officer Miller made decisions in the heat of a violent confrontation to save his and other officers' lives. A four-day investigation and media theatrics are not even close to due process." Tiara Richard, a spokeswoman for the Arlington police, declined to comment on Mr. Snider's statement.

International News - Significant Events

Huge blasts at Chinese port kill 44, with hundreds injured

(Reuters) Two huge explosions tore through an industrial area where toxic chemicals and gas were stored in the northeast Chinese port city of Tianjin, killing at least 44 people, including at least a dozen fire fighters, officials and state media said on Thursday. At least 520 people were injured, more than 60 of them seriously, the Tianjin government said on its Weibo microblog, and the official Xinhua news agency said two fires were still burning. Wednesday night's blasts, so large that they were seen by satellites in space, sent shockwaves through apartment blocks kilometers away in the port city of 15 million people. Internet videos showed fireballs shooting into the sky and the U.S. Geological Survey registered the blasts as seismic events. Despite the devastation, the port was operating normally, a port official said. Tianjin port is the gateway to northern China's industrial belt.

Perseids - Comet 109P/Swift-Tuttle Debris

- The Perseid Meteor Shower will peak 08/13/15, with 50 to 100 meteors visible per hour. This years' display is anticipated to be particularly visible across the Northern Hemisphere as the moonlight will diminish until the new moon on 08/14/15. The Perseids tend to strengthen in number as late night deepens into midnight, and typically produce the most meteors in the hours before dawn. They are typically fast and bright meteors and frequently leave persistent trains.
- There are approximately 21 meteor showers which occur each year, the most prolific being the Perseids in mid-August, the Orionids in late October, and the Geminids in mid-December.
- There are no anticipated impacts as a result of the Perseid Meteor Shower.

SOC Activation for California Wildfires

- The State Operations Center (SOC) is activated at Level 3 from 0500-2100 hours due to the wildfires burning throughout California.
- The Coastal REOC is activated at Level 2 from 0900-1900 hours and Level 1 from 1900-0900 hours.
- The Inland REOC is activated at Level 1.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

A warming trend will continue through this coming weekend as high pressure builds over California. Temperatures in many places will
climb above normal by this afternoon. The hottest conditions are expected Saturday and Sunday, when temperatures will be 5 to 10
degrees above normal for many inland areas. During this time, maximum temperatures for the inland coastal areas will range from 8599 degrees, while the valleys and the desert will be 100-107 degrees. Several degrees of cooling is possible by Monday, but overall
temperatures will remain above normal in most places.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

An upper level trough will bring a chance of showers to the north and cooler temperatures through Thursday. Smoke originating from wildfires over the interior will continue to impact many areas of northwest California this week. High pressure will return from Friday into the weekend bringing warm temperatures and dry conditions.

Medford Weather:

A dry pattern is expected late Friday through early next week at least. After a cool day on Friday with temperatures about 5 degrees below normal, a warming trend is expected over the weekend as a thermal trough develops at the coast.

Reno Weather:

Low pressure offshore of the California coast will produce gusty winds today. This combined with low humidity will result in critical fire weather conditions and hazardous boating on area lakes this afternoon. Hot and dry weather will continue this weekend with clear skies and lighter winds.

San Francisco Weather:

An upper level trough off of the west coast will maintain slightly below average daytime temperatures through today. A robust warming trend is then forecast for late in the week and into the weekend as high pressure over the desert southwest builds westward into California.



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

Low pressure off the coast will bring dry southwest flow aloft and breezy ridge winds at times through Friday. Relatively cool temperatures through Friday with significant warming this weekend. Triple digit high temperatures are forecast for the valley with 80s and 90s over the higher terrain this weekend. Very warm conditions are expected to continue into next week.

Hanford Weather:

Dry weather can be expected over the central California interior for the next several days. Temperatures will be near seasonable levels through Friday then warm to well above normal this weekend as a strong ridge of high pressure builds over the state.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

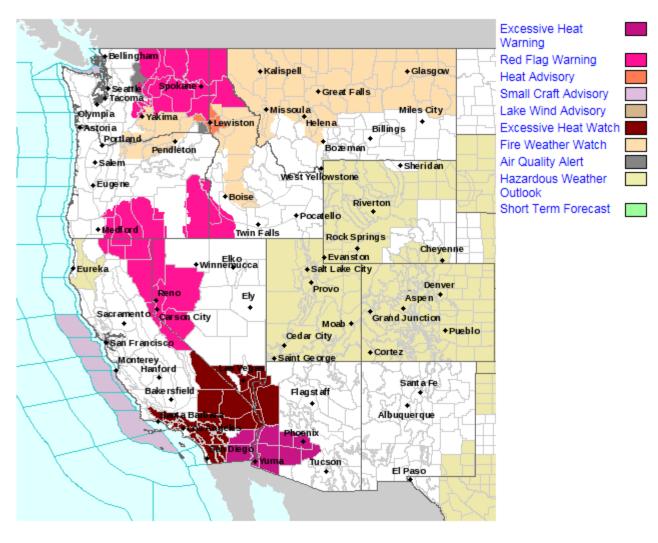
There will be fair skies and a warming trend into the weekend with temperatures well above normal into next week. The marine layer will be greatly diminished during this period and even the coastal areas will be quite warm. Notable cooling will occur by the middle of next week.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties: Strong high pressure building up will create very hot weather inland through this weekend and a slight chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms over the mountains through Sunday. Gradual cooling and dry weather is predicted for early to mid-next week.

Southeast California Weather:

Drier air will move into the area today through the weekend resulting in decreased storm chances along with hotter temperatures. Afternoon highs will retreat somewhat early next week as limited monsoon moisture returns.

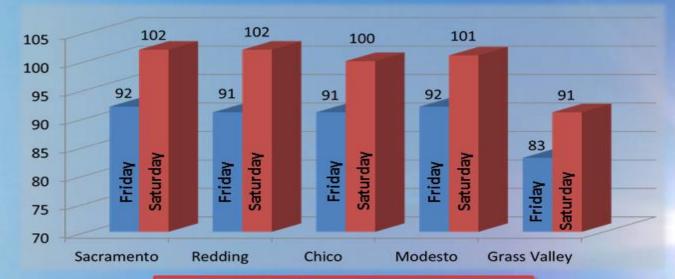
STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Aug, 13th 2015 at 6:37:16 am MDT

Hot Weather Returns

Saturday High Temperatures ~ 10°F Hotter than Friday





Reminders about heat

- Stay hydrated
- Stay out of direct sunlight
- Save outdoor activities for coolest time of day
- Wear loose, light-colored, & light-weight clothing



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Prepare for Dangerous Heat!

Excessive Heat Warnings in effect Today through Saturday for the lower deserts in Arizona and California

Orange Means...

Heat like this happens many times a year. Heat-related impacts are possible if simple precautions are not taken.

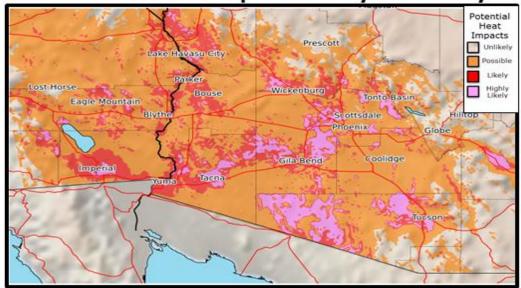
Red Means...

Heat-related impacts are likely, even for the general population, if precautions are not taken. Heat events like this happen only a few times a year.

Magenta Means...

Heat-related impacts are highly likely. Heat events like this are rare and unusually dangerous, possibly deadly. People new to the area may not have experience dealing with these sorts of big events and may underestimate the magnitude of precautions they should take.

Potential Heat Impacts Today - Saturday



Advice

- Drink LOTS of water and stay hydrated!
- Avoid strenuous activity
- Stay in air-conditioned areas
- Check on the heat-sensitive (elderly, infants, pets)



Weather Forecast Office Phoenix, AZ







8/13/2015 4:25 am MST

weather.gov/Phoenix

NOTE: Detailed Fire Information will be reported in a Cal OES/Cal Fire Joint Report daily at 0900 hours and 2000 hours

FIRES, NORTHERN OPERATIONS AREA

Active

- Fork Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- · Humboldt Complex, Vegetation Fire, Humboldt County
- Mad River Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- River Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- · Rocky, Vegetation Fire, Lake County
- Dodge, Vegetation Fire, Lassen County
- South Complex, Vegetation Fire, Trinity County
- · Gasquet Complex, Vegetation Fire, Del Norte County
- Route Complex, Vegetation Fire, Del Norte County
- Nickowitz, Vegetation Fire, Del Norte County
- Jerusalem, Vegetation Fire, Lake County

New

None

Final

Lowell, Vegetation Fire, Nevada County



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FIRES, SOUTHERN OPERATIONS AREA

Active

- · Cabin, Vegetation Fire, Tulare County
- Rough, Vegetation Fire, Fresno County
- · Anza, Vegetation Fire, Riverside County

New

None

Final

• Willow, Vegetation Fire, Madera County

FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 4

Northern California

Preparedness Level 5, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 3

Southern California

Preparedness Level 3, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC every Monday at 1100 hours.

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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 60 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 27 Counties: Butte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 12 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County) and City of Willits (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).

CAL OES MISSIONS

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- 2015-LAW-15388 08/12/15, 1557 hours: Locate and Silence Delorme Device: Started today at 1520 hours, Sequoia National Park Area, Fresno County.
- 2015-LAW-15223 08/09/15, 1600 hours: International Emergency Coordination Center (IERCC) is reporting a DeLorme device sounding in the Sequoia-Kings National Park. They are reporting coordinates 36.5968 N, -118.549712 W. Sequoia-Kings Park Rangers (SKPR) located R/O of the device who was suffering from Altitude sickness. SKPR will attempt to walk R/O out on Monday, 08/10/15 at first light. Mission Ongoing
- 2015-LAW-14579 08/01/15, 1220 hours: Kern County Sheriff requested assistance in the search for a homicide suspect in the Kelso Creek area of Kern County. This has been a long, complex search involving several hundred personnel from Kern County. In addition, LA Sheriff has provided significant personnel and aircraft to the search. Additional personnel and/or equipment has been provided by Fresno County Sheriff. Tulare County Sheriff, San Bernardino County Sheriff, Orange County Sheriff. Stanislaus County Sheriff, Federal Bureau of Investigation, US Marshals Service, California National Guard, US Customs and Border Protection, Anaheim Police Department and the Governor's Office of Emergency Services. The search continues and additional resource requests are anticipated. See Cal OES's Web EOC entries for more details.

 Update 08/12/15, 2146 hour., Suspect has been identified and name released to media. Searches continue with additional helicopter resources from CHP and Ventura County Mission Ongoing
- 2013-LAW-1563 07/23/15, 1225 hours: Plumas County Sheriffs Office (PCSO) has requested Human Remains Detection K9 to search a specific site regarding a 30 year old cold case. LDO contacted K9 Coordinator who is currently securing K9 handlers from a team located out of Santa Clara County. PCSO has asked for two separate search dates to confirm any potential findings. Timeline for search efforts: August 1 6, 2015, Cal OES is currently working on securing these resources.

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• 2015-LAW-14555 08/03/15, 0800 hours, Update 8/12/15: Several of the fires within the complexes have been merged, with one fire, the Pelletreau (South Complex Fire), being moved into the Route Fire Complex and merged into the Johnson Fire. Windy conditions and overstretched fire resources has necessitated LE to assist with dynamic road closures lasting up to an hour or so. Trinity County Sheriffs Office is in the process of coordinating with the 5 Fire Complex Security Managers to capture thefts of fire equipment and fuel. Currently thefts of Diesel (approx. 200 gallons), New Batteries, New Fire Engine Tires (4) and a Water pump have been reported. The water pump was one of 42 that were ordered for the fire, Fire was only able to secure 17 of these pumps so the loss of this pump has exacerbated this situation. *Mission On-going*



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.